

# Professional Conservative

Quarterly Investment Option Update

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## Aim and Strategy

To provide modest investment returns, with reasonably limited fluctuations in the value of the investment from year to year. The portfolio will primarily invest in a diversified mix of defensive and growth assets managed by professional asset managers.

## Investment Option Performance

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## Investment Option Overview

<b>Investment category</b>	Multi-Sector
<b>Suggested minimum investment timeframe</b>	3 years
<b>Relative risk rating</b>	Medium
<b>Investment style</b>	Active
<b>Manager style</b>	Multi-manager

Asset Allocation	Benchmark (%)
Australian and global fixed interest	45
Cash	22
Global shares	11
Australian shares	10
Listed property and infrastructure	6
Growth alternatives	3
Defensive alternatives	3

Actual Allocation	%
International Shares	11.93
Australian Shares	10.72
Listed Property and Infrastructure	6.72
Growth Alternatives	3.69
International Fixed Interest	44.48
Defensive Alternatives	3.76
Cash	18.71

## Market Review

The beginning of the March quarter saw growth asset markets globally experience significant falls and volatility, as concerns increased around prevailing high inflation rates and the path towards the normalisation of interest rates. Despite a raft of concerns, sentiment generally improved in many growth markets towards the end of the quarter. Inflation increased further to 7.9% in February in the US and remains significantly elevated in most major economies like the UK and Canada. With no sign of a reprise in rising costs of living, the US Federal Reserve (Fed) finally raised rates in March by 0.25%, whilst also signalling it would likely raise them six more times this year. The US yield curve also became inverted (as measured by a narrowing gap between 10-year bond yields and 2-year bond yields), raising further recessionary fears.

By mid-February, investor sentiment shifted its focus towards Eastern Europe following Russia's invasion of Ukraine, which continued through the period. Economic sanctions were placed on Russia by nations around the globe. In a surprise counter to the sanctions, President Putin subsequently announced that Russia would seek payment from "unfriendly countries" for its oil and gas in Russian rubles, a significant move given a partial dependence on Russian energy supply from many European nations, including Germany, France, the Netherlands, Italy, Hungary, and Poland.

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## Availability

Product Name	APIR
Flexible Lifetime - Investments (Series 2)	AMP1979AU**
SignatureSuper	AMP1729AU*
SignatureSuper - Allocated Pension	AMP1961AU*
SignatureSuper Term Pension	AMP1961AU*

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